REMARKS

Claims 2 and 4 have been canceled without prejudice. Thus, with the above amendments, claims 1, 3, and 5-16 remain in the present application.

In response to the restriction requirement of the last Office Action, Applicants hereby elect prosecution of generic claims 1 and 6-8 and claims relating to a capacitive micromachined ultrasonic transducer. The election is being made without traverse to expedite prosecution of the pending claims. Accordingly, claims 2 and 4 have been canceled. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the aforementioned canceled claims in a divisional or continuing application.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned for any questions. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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